with reservation. There was not the least intention, to wound anybody's feelings, otherwise I would have apologised to this House then and there. But, in this case, fortunately there was no intention at all, and as you all know how I express myself when I am in a temper *(Laughter)*. Mr. Ayyappan who was watching me closely at that time had certified that I was not in temper. I do not want any unnecessary unpleasantness being created in this House. We are already in a difficult time, and I do not want to contribute my share to make the situation more difficult. I never thought for a moment that Mr. Viswambharan took it like that when he used that word himself in his cut motion. There he said: "the planless and *hysterical* manner in which the funds for Rural Development are distributed." I thought that he had taken the word in a humorous manner. I also took it in a humorous manner. I want to dispel from the minds of the House any unpleasantness created. I am capable of creating unpleasantness deliberately occassionally *(Laughter)*. I can only say that the Hon'ble Member Mr. Devassy also lost his temper and shouted his question at me. My temperament is always in a balanced condition; in spite of all the pre-arranged determination not to lose my temper, it does go out sometime *(Laughter)*. I wanted only to explain this so that any unpleasantness unintentionally created must be removed. I hope, I have explained the matter satisfactorily to this House.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur)*: Sir, after hearing the Hon'ble Minister it is my duty to respond to what he said in the same spirit. And knowing that there is no intention behind it, we have no intention to take objection. It is my sincere hope that the Hon'ble Minister will take it in that light. If I have said anything, it is only in the interests of dignity and brother-hood of this House.

Mr. President: All is well that ends well.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Sir, in the light of this explanation, I beg to withdraw my adjournment motion.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

COLONY FOR KORAVAS—ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR

251. Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have any idea to have a colony for Koravas;

(*b*) how many of them have applied for the same;

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(c) where have Government acquired the site for the same;

(d) why could not Government acquire the site they have been occupying for the last half a century or more;

(e) is it a fact that the site now in contemplation is adjacent to the Domba colony;

(f) do they know that most of the Dombas have their sleep on the pials of villages;

(g) what is the nature of the place proposed to be acquired—populated or not?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(a) Yes.

(b) 15.

(c) Government have not yet acquired any site for the same, but they hope to do so, soon.

(d) The site is small. Besides this, there was complaint from the owner against the acquisition, since he wants to occupy it for agricultural operation.

(e) Yes.

(f) No information.

(g) It is a flat piece of land without much improvement measuring nearly 3 acres immensely suited for a colony.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Sir, is it in keeping with the policy now followed by the Government in the Tenancy Bill which they have introduced that Government should pay heed to the complaints of the owners of the land against the acquisition of the lands?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, the whole area is only about 5 to 6 cents. There are already three houses in that place. They were asking for 20 to 30 sq. yards. Naturally 15 families came. We thought we would establish a colony for these people and give them at the rate of 30 cents each. We have acpuired nearly 3 acres of land. It is not to favour anyone that we are removing them. But it is only to respond to a request to give them a little cultivation space of about 30 cents each that we have done that.

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